

Mr. Woodfin to His Friends

To My Friends and the Public:

After nearly twenty-five years of service with the two leading papers of Virginia—The Richmond Dispatch and its successor, The Times-Dispatch—I to-day sever my connection with the latter to engage in other business. Having formed a co-partnership with Mr. David H. Scott, who, like myself, is a country boy from a Virginia farm, we will engage in the business of general Commission Merchants. While fruits and country produce will be our specialties, we will handle farm products of all kinds.

Mr. Scott, who is associated with me, but will not be able to take part in the active management of the business, is well known throughout Virginia, North Carolina and Florida as a man of the highest integrity and a young business man of superior qualities. He was for a number of years, after graduation from Richmond College, traveling salesman for one of the leading wholesale drug firms of this city, and is now cashier of a bank in Arcadia, Fla., where he also has other interests, and is a member of the firm of Scott Brothers, one of the largest shippers of Florida oranges. The Peace River brand, shipped exclusively by this firm, is recognized as one of the best varieties of the fruit shipped from the great Southern orange State. Our firm—Woodfin & Scott—will be general distributing agents for these oranges, and will supply the needs of the Richmond market and be prepared to fill, without delay, orders from all points in Virginia and North Carolina.

My business career of twenty-five years, begun with the old Richmond Dispatch, as a mere youth, just out of school, has, as stated, been spent with the two leading papers of the Virginia capital. In the seventeen years spent on the staff of the Dispatch and the nearly eight years of pleasant association with The Times and the successor of the two, The Times-Dispatch, I have enjoyed a pleasant and profitable acquaintance with the people of Richmond and of Virginia. Their interests and their welfare have ever and always been the highest consideration in the discharge of the responsible duties which it has been my good fortune to perform.

In entering a new field of endeavor it is gratifying to know that I carry with me the confidence and good will of employers, associates, and a host of friends. An asset more valued I could not ask. To my friends and the public I beg to give the assurance that the business in which Mr. Scott and I are embarking will be conducted on the same plane on which all my work in life has been done. Giving my undivided time and attention to the business, with personal oversight of all the details, the interests of those who entrust commissions to us will be carefully guarded. And those to whom we sell, whether in Richmond or elsewhere, will be given a square deal.

Our store at 1212 East Cary Street, in the heart of the fruit and produce section, is being put in order preparatory to opening, Monday, November 2d. We solicit consignments from all parts of Virginia and North Carolina, and give assurance of careful attention, the best prices the market affords and prompt returns. All orders, by mail or wire, for fruit of any kind, or other supplies, will be given prompt attention, and good goods at proper prices, may be expected. The address is Woodfin & Scott, 1212 East Cary Street.

Respectfully,
OLON B. WOODFIN,

Richmond, Va., October 24, 1908.

News of Petersburg

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
 109 North Scameroon Street,
 Petersburg, Va., October 24.
 Mr. J. B. McCulloch, supervisor of
 loose tobacco sales in this city, officially reports the sales for this week at 14,410 pounds, and the sales to date at 144,175 pounds. The warm rains of yesterday and last night brought what the planters much needed, a good season for handling their tobacco, and it is therefore expected the receipts here next week will be large and the market well opened for the new crop, which is said to be fine in quantity and quality.

Big Democratic Barbecue.
 The Democrats of Prince George county are arranging for a big barbecue to be given at Disputanta on Saturday, October 31st, to which the whole county will be invited. The speakers announced for the occasion will be Hon. Samuel L. Kelley, elector for the Third District; Mr. W. R. Cooke, of Sussex, elector for the Fourth District; Congressman Francis Rives Lassiter and others in the county.

The Democratic club recently organized in Templeton District, of which William B. Dandridge is the president, has largely increased its membership. Every preparation is to be made to get out the full Democratic vote of the county on election day.

Miss Anna Della Metosh, daughter

Charcoal Kills Bad Breath

Whether From Decay in the Stomach or Teeth, and Will Stop Stomach Gases.

Willow Charcoal Best For Use.

Charcoal has been used for absorbing foul odors and neutralizing noxious gases for centuries.

Dupont, the powder manufacturer, introduced the willow charcoal two to three years ago made the best charcoal. It is most porous.

Fetid breath, whether from stomach or teeth pyrosis (or gastric pain), diarrhoea and constipation simply cannot exist under the action of charcoal.

Charcoal oxidizes all gases, or in other words, changes foul smelling odors into oxygen, thereby doing away with all foulness and rendering even such gases beneficial to the system by giving it more oxygen. The lungs purify the blood with oxygen from the air. Dying patients have oxygen administered to them by the use of charcoal and live for days under this treatment. Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are made from willow shoots and sweet honey. They are palatable, strong and natural. No medicine is used whatever, but the peculiar Stuart process gives them a decided charm and efficiency, which endears them to all consumers.

One may use them as one likes. Eating one every once in a while insures pure breath, while the common method is to eat two or three after meals and at bedtime. They work very fast and their use is a most excellent habit to form. In a short time you will learn that their influence has improved bowel action wonderfully, simply by giving the bowel a wide product to work off that has no gaseous formation to kill and destroy its nerves and membranes.

Every druggist carries Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges, price 25c, or send us your name and address and we will send you a trial package by mail free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 200 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

of Mr. and Mrs. John Metosh, died this morning at the home of her parents, on Washington Street, after an illness of some duration. She was only twenty-two years of age, and is survived by her parents and several sisters and brothers.

The Rev. Dr. G. W. McDaniel, of the First Baptist Church, Richmond, will deliver an address before the Young Men's Brotherhood in the First Baptist Church, in this city, on Monday night. His subject will be "The Young Baptist of the Hour."

Adjutant and Mrs. Crawford, of Philadelphia, will conduct two big Salvation Army meetings in the open air in this city to-morrow, and speak in the Army hall at night.

Personal and Otherwise.
 The probability is that there may be some changes in the Methodist pulpits in this city at the Virginia Conference, which meets next month in Norfolk. And the proceedings of that body in the matter of the Randolph-Macon system of colleges will be watched with great interest here.

Even amidst the interest manifested in the presidential campaign, the canvass for the office of City Sergeant will be held at next year's election, and has been quietly carried on. The preliminary canvass for this office has already been pretty thorough, though so far quiet. City Sergeant John B. Evans and Mr. E. M. Barksdale are the announced candidates.

Captain M. C. Jackson has disposed of his fine hunter, King Dodo, to a Baltimore lady for \$600. The horse has taken prizes at many exhibitions.

The Riverside Hunt Club had a preliminary drive hunt this afternoon for the trial of a number of new hounds, recently added to the kennels. The regulation hunt will begin early in November, and the club promises an interesting season of sport.

The Shirley Hotel property, on Tabb Street, recently purchased by a company of Petersburg capitalists, is undergoing many alterations and improvements. It is to be enlarged and thoroughly fitted up in the latest style, and is to be made a first-class hostelry. It will probably be thrown open to the public late in December.

John K. Brown, colored, a some-time religious exhorter, and David Briggs, a companion, were charged in the Police Court this morning with attempting to steal chickens belonging to Mr. G. A. Pitts. They represented that they were only getting their own fowls, which were roosting with those of Mr. Pitts, and were discharged.

When Mr. C. H. Tucker opened his store door, on Bollingbrook Street, this morning, he discovered that a thief had been there during the night. A quantity of goods had been gathered up and packed in a bag to carry away. The thief evidently feared to carry his booty out in the street.

Rustburg News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
 RUSTBURG, VA., October 24.—Miss Sallie Griffith, of North Carolina, has been appointed as one of the teachers in the Rustburg High School to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Nellie Heath, of Narva, on account of sickness.

Dr. W. C. Rosser, accompanied by his wife, attended the State Medical Association in Richmond. He returned to his home at Rustburg yesterday.

Mr. W. W. Lynn and wife, of Hotel Carroll, Lynchburg, accompanied by Miss Miller, of New York, and Miss Vera Petty, of Lynchburg, spent the day visiting Mrs. S. W. Petty this morning. Bishop Tucker will hold confirmation

services at the Episcopal Church Sunday night.

Mr. James E. Dinwiddie, who has been in a Richmond hospital for several weeks, has returned home, very much improved in health.

The farmers in this section have already sold a large quantity of tobacco on the Lynchburg market, and express themselves as being well satisfied with the prices received.

Death of Veteran.
 BALTIMORE, MD., October 24.—Mr. Sydney Bailey, of Westmoreland county, for the last five years an inmate of the Maryland line Confederate Soldiers' Home at Pikeville, died at the home yesterday. He was buried to-day in the Confederate lot in Loudon Park. Mr. Bailey was sixty-three years old, and served in the Forty-fifth Virginia Infantry. A widow and two children survive him.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Cynthia Beverley Tucker Coleman.

After a protracted illness, which for a week past had been extreme, Mrs. Cynthia Beverley Tucker Coleman died at her residence in Williamsburg, Va., yesterday, in the seventy-seventh year of her age. Mrs. Coleman was the eldest child of Judge N. Beverley Tucker, (professor of law in William and Mary College, and author of the "Patrian Leader" and other works), and of Lucy Anne Smith, the daughter of Brigadier-General Thomas Adams Smith, U. S. A. She married, first, July 8, 1852, Henry Augustine Washington, of Westmoreland county, Va., professor of history and political economy

in the College of William and Mary and editor of the first edition of the writings of Thomas Jefferson. He died in Washington, D. C., February 28, 1885. The two children of this marriage died in infancy.

Mrs. Washington married, secondly, October 29, 1861, Dr. Charles Washington Coleman, of Williamsburg, Va. Of the children of this marriage, three sons and one daughter survive. Charles Washington, N. Beverley Tucker, George Preston and Elizabeth Beverley Coleman. Dr. Coleman died September 15, 1894.

Mrs. Coleman was one of the founders and incorporators of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, a charter member of the Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of Virginia, and ever active in public work of a historical or charitable nature.

Funeral services will be held in Bruton Parish Church, Monday, October 26th, at noon. The pall-bearers will be from the immediate family connections, including Mrs. Coleman's sons.

Mrs. Sarah Mann.
 Mrs. Sarah Mann died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Andrew Krouse, No. 14 West Marshall Street, last night at 9:15 o'clock. The funeral services will be held at the grave in Hollywood Cemetery to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Ida Belle Timberlake.
 Miss Ida Belle Timberlake died yesterday morning at 3:35 o'clock at the residence of her aunt, Miss Margaret A. Tiller, No. 122 South Belvidere Street. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock from St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. The interment will be made in Riverview Cemetery.

Charles H. Vaughan, Jr.
 Information was received here yesterday of the accidental death of Mr. Charles H. Vaughan, Jr., son of Mr. Charles H. Vaughan, of Henric county. No details were given. Mr. Vaughan was employed in construction work.

Joseph N. Brooks.
 [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
 SUTHERLAND, VA., October 24.—Mr. Joseph N. Brooks died at his residence, near Church Road, Dinwiddie Courthouse, Va., October 23d, aged eighty-eight years. Mr. Brooks was a brave Confederate soldier serving four years in the Civil War. He was widely known and highly esteemed for his uprightness of character. He was able to do the work on his farm up to about six months ago, when he became feeble, but he did not take to his bed until a few days before his death. He leaves a widow, two sons and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was buried at Ocean Church at Sutherland, Va., of which he was a member.

Warner P. Powell.
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 DANVILLE, VA., October 24.—Warner P. Powell died at the general hospital here to-day, after an illness of several weeks. He was thirty-eight years of age and a native of Halifax county. He moved to Danville twenty years ago, and has conducted a clothes pressing establishment here.

Mrs. Mary Easley Tarpley.
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 DANVILLE, VA., October 24.—Mrs. Mary Easley Tarpley died early this morning at her home near Whitwell, after a long illness. She was eighty years of age, and one of the most widely known women of this county. The following children survive her: W. E. and W. P. Tarpley and Mrs. Sam Adams—all of Whitwell.

J. C. Snyder.
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 SALISBURY, N. C., October 24.—J. C. Snyder, of Lexington, Ky., aged thirty-five, died in Salisbury yesterday after an illness of only two days. He came to North Carolina in search of health, but was fatally stricken here Wednesday while on a visit. He leaves a wife and three children. His remains were shipped to Kentucky to-day for interment.

DEATHS
 BELLE—Died, October 22, 1908, at the residence of her son-in-law, A. W. Havens, 221 North Twentieth Street, at 10 A. M. Mrs. Catherine M. Bell, wife of the late John A. Bell, in the seventy-sixth year of her age.

CROWLEY.—Died, October 19, 1908, at 10:30 P. M. Mrs. Crowley, wife of the late John Crowley, leaves a wife and one child and mother and five sisters.

Farewell, dear brother, thou hast left us.
 But 'tis God who hast bereft us;
 He can all our sorrows heal.

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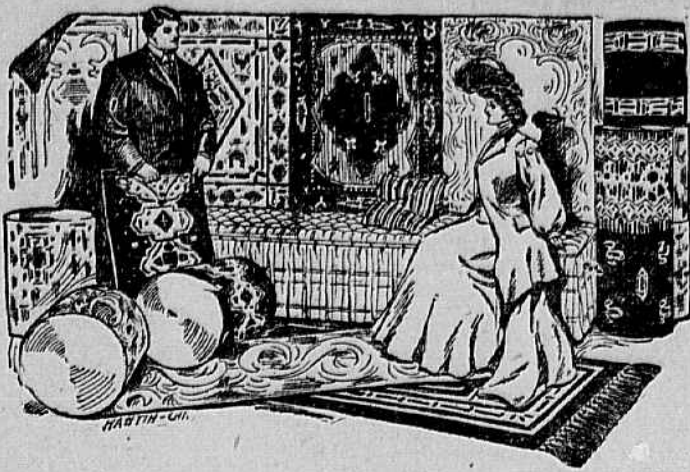
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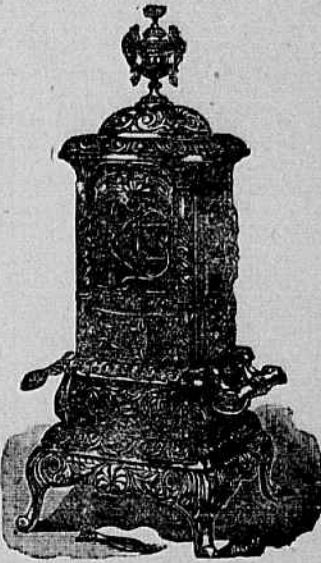
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